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**3-METER DISH ANTENNA
SHAXIAN POSSIBLE SPACE TRACKING FACILITY, CHINA**

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1. (SWN) **SIGNIFICANCE:** A 3-METER PARABOLIC DISH ANTENNA HAS BEEN INSTALLED ON A PEDESTAL ATOP THE OPERATIONS/CONTROL BUILDING AT SHAXIAN POSSIBLE SPACE TRACKING FACILITY.
2. (SWN) **REMARKS:** THIS ANTENNA MAY BE USED TO RELAY COMMANDS TO CHINESE SATELLITES WHILE A PREVIOUSLY CONSTRUCTED 10-METER PARABOLIC DISH MAY BE USED TO TRACK GEOSTATIONARY SATELLITES.

(SWN) POSSIBLE MOBILE ELECTRONICS EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING TWO CANVAS-COVERED POSSIBLE ANTENNA TRUCKS AND THREE POSSIBLE TELEMETRY/TRACKING VEHICLES, IS ALSO PRESENT. AT LEAST THREE VAN TRUCKS ARE NEAR A SUPPORT BUILDING JUST OUTSIDE THE FACILITY. THE 3-METER PARABOLIC DISH ANTENNA AND THE MOBILE ELECTRONICS EQUIPMENT WERE NOT PRESENT

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(SWN) A PEDESTAL WITH A POSSIBLE ENVIRONMENTAL DOME IS 50 METERS SOUTH OF THE 10-METER PARABOLIC DISH. THE PEDESTAL WAS FIRST OBSERVED

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(SWN) THE SHAXIAN FACILITY, IN SOUTHEAST CHINA, IS SIMILAR TO WEINAN PROBABLE SSM/SPACE TRACKING FACILITY NEAR XIAN; HOWEVER, A 3-METER PARABOLIC DISH HAS NOT BEEN IDENTIFIED AT WEINAN. THE MAIN FUNCTION OF THESE TWO FACILITIES PROBABLY WILL BE TO TRACK, RECEIVE TELEMETRY FROM, AND RELAY COMMANDS TO CHINESE SATELLITES.

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3. COORDINATES 26-23-37N 117-48-18E

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